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Applicant	I. Schkilnik et al.	<u>PETITION 1.47(a) TO FILE</u> <u>APPLICATION WITHOUT</u> <u>ALL INVENTORS'</u> <u>SIGNATURES</u>
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Title: BUNDLING/DE-BUNDLING OF LOW FREQUENCY DIGITAL DATA STREAMS		

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), co-inventor Yakov Reshef submits this Petition seeking permission to file the above-identified application (hereinafter "the application") without the signature of co-inventor inventor, Iris Schkilnik. Iris Schkilnik has failed to execute the application after repeated attempts to request her to do so. The last known address for Iris Schkilnik is as follows:

Residence/Post Office Address: **Iris Schkilnik**
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Yahod, 56748 ISRAEL
Citizenship: Israel

As set forth in the Declaration, ADC Israel has made a *bona fide* attempt to diligently present the application and corresponding declaration to Iris Schkilnik for signature in accordance with MPEP 409.03(d) and 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a). As indicated in paragraphs 4-5 of the Declaration, Iris Schkilnik has refused to sign.

A fee of \$130 as set forth under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) is also included herewith. However, if any additional fees or credits are deemed necessary, please charge or credit Deposit Account No. 501373.

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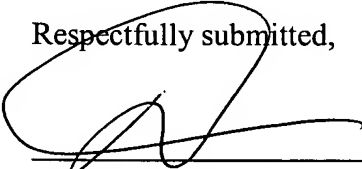
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Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the facts in the Declaration establish a *bona fide* attempt to obtain the signature of co-inventor, Iris Schkilnik, and accordingly request that the Petition is granted.

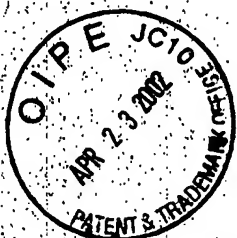
Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF ETI VANDERMOLEN

1. Etí Vandermolen, hereby declare:

1. I am an administrative assistant in the research and development department of ADC Telecommunications Israel Ltd ("ADC Israel") (formerly known as ADC Teledata Communications Ltd. and before that as Teledata Communications Ltd.).
2. Iris Schkilnik ("Schkilnik") is a former employee of ADC Israel who was involved in the research and development of ADC Israel's products. (Schkilnik is sometimes referred to herein as the "Inventor").
3. The inventor, along with one other inventor (Yakov Reshef) submitted to ADC's patent attorneys a proposal for a patent application entitled, "BUNDLING/DE-BUNDLING OF LOW FREQUENCY DIGITAL DATA STREAMS" for a telecommunications device. Under paragraphs 14.2 and 14.3 of the employment agreement signed by Schkilnik dated 7/6/98, all inventions and ideas discovered by the inventor during the term of his/her employment with ADC Israel in connection with such employment are deemed to be ADC Israel's property. Furthermore, under the employment agreement, the inventor is also required to undertake to do everything required of him/her by ADC Israel for the purpose of obtaining protection for the inventions and/or ideas anywhere in the world, for the company's benefit, and to sign any document required for such purpose. A copy of the translated (from Hebrew) employment contract is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
4. The inventor assisted in the process of preparing the patent application, but she terminated her employment with ADC Israel on 3/8/2000, and subsequently refused to cooperate in the completion of the application.
5. On 3/12/01, I sent, by registered mail, a letter, a copy of the instant application, the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, and International Assignment document to Iris Schkilnik's last known address requesting that she sign the patent application documents related to this matter. To date, we have not received any response.
6. ADC Israel will be harmed by not being able to place this application on file with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office since the inventor has left the employ of ADC Israel and has begun employment in another hi-tech company in the area, and the invention is to be put into ADC Israel's product in the near future.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Etí Vandermolen

Exhibit A

Employment Contract of [DATE]

[TRANSLATED FROM THE HEBREW]

PERSONAL EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Made and signed in Herzlia on the 13th day of January 1997

BETWEEN: ADC ISRAEL TELECOMUNICATION LTD
 of 10 Hasadnaot Street, Herzlia Pituach
 (hereinafter referred to as "the Company")

of the one part

AND: Name: Iris Schkilinik
 Identity No.: 14437305
 Of : 5 Begin St. , Yahod, 56478 Israel
 (hereinafter referred to as "the Employee")

of the other part

WHEREAS the Employee will be employed by the Company from 7/6/98;

AND WHEREAS the parties have decided to regulate the employer-employee relations;

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS PROVIDED, WARRANTED AND AGREED BETWEEN THE PARTIES AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Recitals and Interpretation**

The recitals and appendices hereto constitute an integral part hereof.

2. **Special Agreement**

This agreement is personal and regulates the relations between the Company and the Employee and exclusively prescribes the terms and conditions of the Employee's employment by the Company; accordingly, the general and/or special collective agreements, including their related appendices, and other agreements executed from time to time between the employers and the General Federation of Labour and/or agreements between the Company and any of its other employees shall not apply to the Employee.

3. **Duties and Powers**

The Employee's powers and duties are as specified in appendix "A" or as prescribed from time to time by the Company and all his acts shall be subordinate to the directions and instructions of the Company and/or anyone appointed by it, which are given to him from time to time.

4. **The Scope of the Position**

4.1 The Employee undertakes to perform his position as obliged by the position, anywhere in Israel and abroad.

4.2 The Employee undertakes to work such hours as are obliged by his position, including overtime. Overtime work shall be by arrangement with the Company and with its prior approval.

4.3 Without prejudice to the foregoing, it is agreed that the Employee's employment or engagement in other work or another business outside of the Company, for remuneration or otherwise, on a self-employed basis or as a salaried employee, during or outside of the working hours, requires the Company's management's prior written approval. The Company may refuse to grant such approval without giving any reasons therefor, and the Employee waives any claim in such regard.

5. **Personal Trust**

5.1 The Employee undertakes to act diligently, conscientiously, faithfully and loyally in performing this agreement and to act to the best of his ability for the Company's benefit.

5.2 Without derogating from the generality of clause 5.1 above, the Employee shall not accept any benefit or promise of a benefit in connection with his work from any other person or entity, without the Company's prior consent.

5.3 Without derogating from the generality of clause 5.1 above, the Employee shall not use information and/or documents reaching him in consequence of the agreement and shall not do anything which gives rise or might give rise to a conflict of interests between the Company's interests on the one hand and his interests or the interests of any other person or entity on the other hand.

5.4 Without derogating from the generality of clause 5.1 above, the Employee undertakes to inform the Company, immediately and without delay, of any matter or subject in which he has or might have a personal interest and/or which might give rise to a conflict of interests between his interests and those of the Company.

5.5 The Employee's position is one requiring a special degree of personal trust within the meaning thereof in the Hours of Work and Rest Law, 5711-1951, and accordingly the provisions of this Law shall not apply to the Employee.

5.6 These provisions are in addition to any fiduciary duty imposed on the Employee by virtue of any law, custom and/or agreement, and do not derogate therefrom.

6. **The Company's Procedures**

The Employee undertakes to strictly and meticulously adhere to the Company's procedures as they are at present and as altered from time to time, and they constitute an integral part hereof.

7. **Salary**

7.1 In consideration for his work in the Company, the Company shall pay the Employee a gross monthly salary as provided in appendix "A" (hereinafter referred to as "the salary").

7.2 The salary shall be paid to the Employee once a month, by no later than the 5th day of each Gregorian month, in respect of the previous month.

7.3 Unless otherwise provided in appendix "A", the salary specified in appendix "A" is gross and the global amount payable for "overtime" constitutes consideration for any work outside of the ordinary working hours and on days of rest, and the Employee shall not be entitled to any consideration or payment of whatsoever type in addition to the salary and/or the ancillary terms specified in appendix "A", unless expressly otherwise provided herein.

8. **Annual Leave**

8.1 The Employee shall be entitled to paid annual leave, as provided in appendix "A".

- 8.2 The leave days may be accrued, subject to the provisions of the Company's procedures.
- 8.3 The Employee shall notify the Company 30 days in advance of the date on which he intends going on leave and the said date shall be approved, provided that it does not involve any impairment to the Company's activity.

9. **Executive Insurance**

- 9.1 During the term of this agreement and subject to the directives determined from time to time by the Income Tax Commission, the Company shall make provisions to an insurance company, within the framework of executive insurance, an amount equal to 13.33% of the salary (made up of 5% emoluments and 8.33% severance pay). The Company shall deduct and provide 5% from the Employee's salary constituting his contribution to the emoluments fund, and the Employee agrees to the Company deducting the said 5%.
- 9.2 On the Employee's request, and with the Company's agreement, the Company shall insure the Employee with a pension fund at his election, instead of insuring him with executive insurance as provided in clause 9.1 above. The amounts of the provisions to the pension fund, at the Company's expense and at the Employee's expense, shall be in accordance with the pension fund's rules.
- 9.3 The amounts transferred by the Company and at its expense without the framework of the severance pay shall remain owed by the Company.
- 9.4 In the event that the Company is liable to pay the Employee severance pay, the payments mentioned above that have been provided each month at a rate of 8.33% as aforesaid shall replace severance pay in accordance with the Severance Pay Law, 5723-1963 and this clause is in accordance with section 14 of the said Law.

10. **Military Reserve Duty**

During the period of his military reserve duty, the Employee shall be entitled to his full salary from the Company. The Employee undertakes to give the Company appropriate confirmation of active military reserve duty for the purpose of submitting it to the National Insurance Institute, so that the Company may claim the amounts due to it from the National Insurance Institute. If the Employee does not give the confirmation to the Company, the Company shall be entitled to a refund of the salary paid to the Employee for the period of his military reserve duty. Without prejudice to its right to any other relief, the Company shall be entitled to set off this debt from the Employee's salary or from any other payment which the Company owes the Employee.

11. **Taxes**

The Company shall not be liable for any taxes or other compulsory payments applicable to the Employee, including income tax and national insurance.

12. **The Employment's Termination**

- 12.1 The Employee or the Company may bring this agreement to an end on notice as follows:
- 12.1.1 up to the end of three full months of employment with the Company - 14 days;
 - 12.1.2 up to the end of six full months of employment with the Company - 60 days;
- The Employee shall continue to work for the Company throughout the notice period, unless the Company orders him otherwise.
- 12.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 12.1 above, the Company may bring this agreement to an end without notice in the following cases:

12.2.1 if the Employee breaches the provisions hereof or does not follow the Company's instructions and/or procedures;

12.2.2 if the Employee is convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude.

13. **Handing Over The Position**

The Employee undertakes that immediately upon the termination of his employment with the Company, whether voluntary or otherwise, on his initiative or on the Company's initiative, he shall act as follows:

13.1 he shall give and/or return to the Company all the documents, letters, records, reports and other paperwork in his possession and relating to the Company's business and any equipment and/or other property of the Company which was placed at his disposal;

13.2 he shall hand over, in an orderly fashion and pursuant to the procedures determining his position, the documents and other matters handled by him to such person as the Company determines, in a manner enabling a reasonable and suitable person, having regard to the position, to continue performing his position in an orderly fashion and without damage to the Company.

14. **Confidentiality**

14.1 During the term of his employment with the Company and thereafter, the Employee undertakes not to disclose and/or transfer to any person and/or entity outside the Company information of the Company or information reaching him within the scope of his employment with the Company and/or in connection with the Company which is not in the public domain. The Employee undertakes to maintain confidentiality in respect of everything connected with the Company's business and affairs and not to howsoever harm the Company's goodwill and/or circle of customers.

14.2 Any invention or idea discovered by the Employee during the term of his employment with the Company in connection with his work therein shall be deemed the Company's property and shall belong to it, and the Company shall be entitled to act therewith as it wishes and to register such invention or idea in its name.

14.3 The Employee undertakes to do everything required of him by the Company for the purpose of obtaining protection for the invention and/or idea anywhere in the world, for the Company's benefit, and to sign any document required for such purpose.

14.4 The Employee undertakes to maintain confidentiality in respect of the terms and conditions of his employment pursuant hereto.

15. **Non-Competition**

15.1 During the term of his employment with the Company and for a period of not less than two years after the termination thereof for any reason (hereinafter referred to as "the non-competition period"), the Employee shall not howsoever engage or participate in or accept a position which directly or indirectly competes with the Company's activity and/or shall not place himself in a position of someone interested in activity competing with the Company.

15.2 Without derogating from the provisions of clause 15.1 above, the Employee undertakes that during the non-competition period he shall not approach customers of the Company and shall not accept from customers of the Company or from any other person or entity any position, order, offer, work or business in a sphere in which the Company has already engaged or intended engaging in.

15.3 The Employee undertakes that upon the termination of his employment with the Company for any reason, he shall not of his own initiative procure the departure from the Company of

other employees thereof and/or the recruitment of employees of the Company by his new place of work and/or any competing business.

16. **Waiver or Precedent**

If the Company waives any right given to it pursuant hereto, such shall not constitute a precedent in respect of another identical case, no analogy shall be inferred therefrom in another similar case and the Company shall not be estopped from later exercising any right it has waived as aforesaid.

17. **Validity of Previous Agreements**

This agreement replaces any previous written or oral agreements between the Company and the Employee.

18. **Alteration, Cancellation**

The alteration and/or cancellation of any of the clauses hereof may only be effected in a written document signed by both the parties.

19. **Notices**

The addresses of the parties hereto are as specified in the recitals hereto. Any notice sent by registered mail to the other party in accordance with his said address shall be deemed to have been received by the addressee within three days of being mailed and if delivered by hand or transmitted by facsimile - at the time of delivery or transmission, as the case may be.

20. **The Parties' Warranties**

The Employee warrants that he has understood the substance of his obligation [sic] pursuant hereto and the results thereof for the purpose of his rights and obligations vis-a-vis the Company.

AS WITNESS THE HANDS OF THE PARTIES:

(Signed)

The Company

(Signed)

The Employee

APPENDIX "A"

**APPENDIX TO PERSONAL EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT OF _____
WHICH CONSTITUTES AN INTEGRAL PART THEREOF**

The Employee's name: Iris Schkilinik

1. Position: R&D Engineer

2. **Salary**

2.1 The Employee shall be paid a monthly salary of NIS _____ (hereinafter referred to as "the basic salary").

2.2 The basic salary shall constitute the exclusive basis for payments, such as payment for overtime, pension fund provisions, executive insurance, emolument funds and severance (if due to the Employee).

The cost of living increments applicable to all the employees in the economy, as applicable from time to time, shall apply to the basic salary, without a ceiling.

3. Ancillary details

- 3.1 Payment for overtime shall be a global amount of NIS _____ gross per month. The cost of living increments applicable to all the employees in the economy, as applicable from time to time, shall apply to this payment, without a ceiling.
- 3.2 [Intentionally left blank]
- 3.3 Telephone expense reimbursement: NIS _____ gross per month.
- 3.4 Convalescence pay: NIS 250 gross per month.
- 3.5 Clothing allowance reimbursement: NIS _____ gross per month.
- 3.6 Professional literature reimbursement: NIS _____ gross per month.
- 3.7 Executive insurance: 13.3% at the Company's expense and 5% at the Employee's expense; in total 18.3%.
 - 3.7.1 Vocational studies fund – 7.5% at the Company's expense and 2.5% at the Employee's expense; in total 10%.
- 3.5 Working hours: 9 hours and 20 minutes a day (including a 45 minute break), 5 days a week.
- 3.6 Annual leave: commencing with _____ days a year and thereafter in accordance with the Company's procedure.

Note: The employee will receive _____ stock options.